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SUBJECT: MYONGDONG PRISONERS: KIM TAE-CHUNG'S HUNGER STRIKE

REF: SEOUL 3804

KIM SANG-HYUN, FORMER NDP ASSEMBLYMAN AND CONFIDANTE OF KIM TAE-CHUNG, TOLD EMBOFF THAT HE IS LEAVING EVENING OF MAY 13 FOR CHINJU IN EFFORT TO CONVINCE KIM TO END HUNGER STRIKE. HE WILL BE CARRYING LETTERS FROM FORMER PRESIDENT YUN PO-SUN AND CARDINAL KIM WHICH ALSO MAKE STRONG PLEA FOR TERMINATION OF HUNGER STRIKE.

2. KNCC REPORT S THAT WORK OF COMMITTEE TO VSITI MYONGDONG PRISONERS HAS BEEN SUSPENDED. COMMITTEE COULD NOT GET KIM TAE-CHUNG INCLUDED IN ITS ITINERARY, AND FAMILIES OF PRISONERS ASKED COMMITTEE TO SUSPEND VISITS IF IT WERE NOT EMPOWERED TO GO TO EACH AND EVERY PRISONER. KNCC RENEWING REQUEST THAT ROKG ALLOW COMMITTEE TO MAKE FULL RANGE OF VISITS.

3. COMMENT: FORMER PRESIDENT YUN AND CARDINAL, TWO FIGURES ON KOREAN SCENE CAPABLE OF INFLUENCING KIM, ARE UNDOUBTEDLY CONCERNED ABOUT KIM'S HEALTH. THEIR
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MOTIVES BEYOND THAT, HOWEVER, ARE FRANKLY UNCLEAR TO US.
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